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11. In response to reftel Econoff contacted Luz Estella Mendez, Director of the Office of International Cooperation for the Colombian Ministry of Social Protection. Mendez said the Colombian government joined with the World Health Organization (WHO) to celebrate World Health Day in two important activities. First, Minister of Social Protection Diego Palacio and WHO country representative Dr. Pier Paolo Balladelli signed a Declaration regarding the International Health Regulations (IHR) in which Colombia committed to put in place all actions necessary to implement the IHR. Second, Balladelli met with 1,000 students and teaching staff at a seminar at the University of Antioquia to discuss the relationship between climate change and public health.
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